

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 76, line 1 as follows:

The ESTs encoding the new SOCS proteins are as follows: **human SOCS4** (EST81149, EST180909, EST182619, ya99h09, ye70e04, yh53c09, yh77g11, yh87h05, yi45h07, yj04e06, yq12h06, yq56a06, yq60e02, yq92g03, yq97h06, yr90f01, yt69e03, yv30a08, yv55f07, yv57h09, yv87h02, yv98e11, yw68d10, yw82a03, yx08a07, yx72h06, yx76b09, yy37h08, yy66b02, za81f08, zb18f07, ze06e08, zd14g06, zd51h12, zd52b09, ze25g11, ze69f02, zf54f03, zh96e07, zv66h12, zs83a08 and zs83g08). **mouse SOCS 4** (mc65f04, mf42e06, mp10e10, mr81g09, and mt19h12). **human SOCS 5** (EST15B103, EST15B105, EST27530 and zf50f01). **mouse SOCS 5** (mc55a01, mh98f09, my26h12 and ve24e06). **human SOCS 6** (yf61e08, yf93a09, yg05f12, yg41f04, yg45e02, yh11f10, yh13b05, ze35a12, ze02h08, zl09a03, zl69e10, zn39d08 and zo39e06). **mouse SOCS 6** (me04e05, md48a03, mf31d03, mh26b07, mh78e11, mh88h09, mh94h07, mi27h04, and mj29e05, mp66g04, mw75g03, va53b05, vb34h02, ve55d07, ve59e05, ve67d03, ve68d10, ve97h01, ve99e08, vd07h03, vd08e01, vd09b12, vd19b02, vd29a04 and vd46d06). **human SOCS 7** (STS WI30171, EST00939, EST12913, yc29b05, yp49f10, zt10f03 and zx73g04). **mouse SOCS 7** (mj39a01 and vi52h07). **mouse SOCS 8** (mj6e09 and vj27a029). **human SOCS 9** (CSRL 82f2 u, EST114054, yy06b07, yy06g06, zr40e09, zr72h01, yx92e08, yx93b08 and hfe0662). **mouse SOCS 9** (me65d05). **human SOCS 10** (aa48h10, zp35h01, zp97h12, zq08h01, zr34g05, EST73000 and HSDHEI005). **mouse SOCS 10** (mb14d12, mb40f06, mg89b11, mq89e12, mp03g12 and vh53e11). **human SOCS 11** (zt24h06 and zr43b02). **human SOCS 13** (EST59161). **mouse SOCS 13** (ma39a09, me60e05, mi78g05, mk10e11, mo48g12, mp94a01, vb57e07 and vh07e11). **human SOCS 14** (mi75e03, vd29h11 and vd53g07).